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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, ODP

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FROM : [REDACTED]
Deputy Director for Processing

SUBJECT : Processing Weekly Report

Tasks Accomplished

1. There were no new problems encountered this week with MVS/JES3. [REDACTED] has given SPD a fix for the Dependent Job Control problem experienced by SANCA. The fix will be tested and implemented by 1 October. [REDACTED] STATINTL

2. An updated version of OS/MVT Release 21.8 was installed on the 360/65-1 for CAMS on 14 September. The 360/65-1 in the Special Center and the 360/65-2 in the [REDACTED] Center are now using the same level of operating system software. A problem with the system accounting routine was encountered and resolved. Also, an occasional problem is being encountered with PL/1 compilation. This problem is being investigated. [REDACTED] STATINTL

3. The NIPS system was upgraded from CICS Version 1.2 to Version 1.3 on 16 September. Both STAR and NIPS are now on CICS 1.3. [REDACTED] STATINTL

4. [REDACTED] of SPD presented a nine-hour class on the use by NIPS of Delta Data terminals. Five ISS/DDO programmers attended the class. [REDACTED] STATINTL

5. ODP received permission [REDACTED] to test the RAMIS Programmers' Interface option of RAMIS under VM for a period of two months (September and October). This feature, which is currently on the Batch system, is being considered for purchase. STATINTL

6. The GIM Production response problem on the 370/168-3 reported last week has been corrected. [REDACTED] STATINTL

Tasks Planned

1. SPD is testing LCL2H of VM for delivery next week. This new change level of VM contains the disk address for the 3350 devices and a software correction for a hang situation of a

STATINTL user terminal. The terminal hang problem impacted several users and is significant in that the user could not use VM until a system restart was done--which in some cases was several hours later. [REDACTED]

Problems

1. A power loss on a bank of 3330 disk drives in the Special Center damaged several disk packs. Both the 370/158 Red and Blue machines were out of service for several hours while the disk packs were being restored. [REDACTED]

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2. A series of unrelated system failures occurred in different parts of the SANCA processing. These system failures caused delays in the production of the SANCA outputs. A meeting was held by representatives from OS, ODP/ Applications, OD, SPD, and PD on 14 September for the purpose of resolving the system failures. A list of remedial actions was agreed upon and will be implemented jointly by OS and ODP in an effort to prevent recurrence of the problems.

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3. An Operating System failure and an erroneous Share pack update caused a six-hour delay in processing Paycompute. [REDACTED]

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4. The 360/65-1 CAMS machine in the Special Center experienced two separate hardware failures during the past week. These failures resulted in over eight hours of downtime. [REDACTED]

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5. The program which has been developed to interface a GIMS extract tape with the RAMIS reporting package does not function properly under the latest release of RAMIS. Mathematica has been notified of the problem. This problem may cause slippage of the scheduled 15 October production date for the new RAMIS release. [REDACTED]

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6. The 360/195 computer system has been out of service for over 70 hours since 19 September while IBM attempts to fix several problems. The machine will continue out of service at least 50 percent of time until the problems are solved. [REDACTED]

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